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NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Morgan Christen, of Alaska, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Sharon L. Gleason, to be United States District Judge for the District

of Alaska, who were both introduced by Senators Begich and Murkowski, Scott Wesley Skavdahl, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming, who was introduced by Senators Enzi and Barrasso, Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and Richard G. Andrews, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, who was introduced by Senator Carper, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 2508–2526; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 72 were introduced. **Pages H5017–18**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5019–20**

Report Filed: A report was filed on June 24, 2011 as follows:

First Semiannual Report on the Activity of the Committee on Small Business for the 112th Congress (H. Rept. 112–146). **Page H5017**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ellmers to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4949**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:52 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Pages H4954–55**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H4963**

Clean Water Cooperative Federalism Act of 2011: The House passed H.R. 2018, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to preserve the authority of each State to make determinations relating to the State's water quality standards, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 239 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 573.

Pages H4957–62, H4963–87, H4987–95

Rejected the McNerney motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 188 yeas to 238 nays, Roll No. 572.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in

the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Agreed to:

Hanabusa amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that requires the Administrator of the EPA to submit to Congress, within one year and then annually thereafter, a report on any increase in waterborne pathogenic microorganisms (including protozoa, viruses, bacteria, and parasites), toxic chemicals, or toxic metals (such as lead and mercury) in waters regulated by a State under the provisions of H.R. 2018, including any amendments to the bill; **Page H4980**

Cohen amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that clarifies that nothing in the bill can limit the EPA Administrator's authority to regulate a pipeline that crosses a streambed; and

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Capito amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that requires the EPA to analyze the impact of certain covered actions on employment levels and economic activity and requires public notice and a hearing in those instances where a covered action has more than a de minimis impact on employment or economic activity in any given state (by a recorded vote of 268 yeas to 152 nays, Roll No. 566).

Pages H4978–80, H4988–89

Rejected:

Jackson Lee (TX) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that sought to allow the EPA to continue to have the authority to set standards for NPDES Permit programs by striking section 2 (by a recorded vote of 170 yeas to 252 nays, Roll No. 565); **Pages H4977–78, H4987–88**

Polis amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that sought to exclude from this act permit holders who are on the significant non-compliance list (by a recorded vote of 191 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 567); **Pages H4980–81, H4989**

Connolly amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that sought to align federal funding with the scope of federal clean water regulations (by a recorded vote of 181 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 568); **Pages H4981–83, H4989–90**

Blumenauer amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that sought to exclude from coverage under the bill any waters that EPA determines provide flood protection for communities, are a valuable fish and wildlife habitat that provide benefits to the economy, or are coastal recreational waters (by a recorded vote of 183 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 569); **Pages H4984–86, H4990**

Carnahan amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that sought to restrict the application of the bill if a major disaster had been declared in the area due to flooding within the last five years, or the waters in question had contributed to such a declaration (by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 247 noes, Roll No. 570); and **Pages H4986–87, H4991**

Jackson Lee (TX) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 112–144) that sought to strike all after the enacting clause (by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 254 noes, Roll No. 571). **Pages H4975–77, H4991–92**

H. Res. 347, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 250 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 564, after the previous question was ordered without objection.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:27 p.m. and reconvened at 5:20 p.m. **Page H4987**

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012: The House resumed consideration of H.R. 2354, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. Consideration of the measure began on Friday, July 8th. **Pages H4995–H5016**

Agreed to:

Rehberg amendment (No. 57 printed in the Congressional Record of July 11, 2011) that redirects \$2,200,000 with respect to Fossil Energy Research and Development; **Pages H4995–97**

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 64 printed in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2011) that reduces funding for departmental administration expenses of the Department of Energy by \$2,500,000 and applies the savings to the spending reduction account; and **Page H5009**

Fortenberry amendment that increases funding, by offset, for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation by \$35 million. **Pages H5009–10**

Withdrawn:

McKinley amendment (No. 25 printed in the Congressional Record of July 8, 2011) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Fossil Energy Research and Development by \$39 million. **Pages H4997–98**

Point of Order sustained against:

Heck amendment that sought to amend language in the bill relating to nuclear waste disposal activities in the State of Nevada. **Pages H5005–06**

Proceedings Postponed:

Matheson amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Non-Defense Environmental Cleanup by \$10 million; **Pages H4998–99**

Reed amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Non-Defense Environmental Cleanup by \$41 million; **Pages H4999–H5001**

Holt amendment (No. 65 printed in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2011) that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for Science by \$42,665,000; **Pages H5001–03**

Royce amendment (No. 68 printed in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Science by \$10 million and apply the savings to the spending reduction account; **Pages H5003–04**

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 43 printed in the Congressional Record of July 11, 2011) that seeks to reduce funding for Science by \$820,488,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account; **Page H5005**

Schiff amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$79,640,000; **Pages H5006–08**

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 48 printed in the Congressional Record of July 11, 2011) that seeks to eliminate funding for the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program and apply the savings to the spending reduction account; **Pages H5008–09**

Shimkus amendment that seeks to increase funding, by offset, for the Yucca Mountain license application by \$10 million; and **Pages H5010–14**

Broun (GA) amendment (No. 47 printed in the Congressional Record of July 11, 2011) that seeks to eliminate funding for the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission and apply the savings to the spending reduction account. **Pages H5014–16**

H. Res. 337, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Friday, July 8th.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5020.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4963, H4987, H4988–89, H4989, H4989–90, H4990, H4991, H4991–92, H4994, H4994–95. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AID PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Rural Development, Research, Biotechnology, and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing on Agricultural Program Audit: Examination of Foreign Agriculture and Food Aid Programs. Testimony was heard from Suzanne Heinen, Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, Department of Agriculture; and Nancy Lindborg, Assistant Administrator for the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup of the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2012, and Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 2012. Both bills were ordered reported, as amended.

MEDICARE AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Medicare and Social Security: The Fiscal Facts.” Testimony was heard from Richard Foster, Chief Actuary, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and Stephen Goss, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 2465, the “Federal Workers’ Compensation Modernization and Improvement Act”; and H.R. 2445, the “State and Local Funding Flexibility Act.” H.R. 2465 was ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 2445 was ordered reported, as amended.

IPAB: THE CONTROVERSIAL CONSEQUENCES FOR MEDICARE AND SENIORS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “IPAB: The Controversial Consequences for Medicare and Seniors.” Testimony was heard from Rep. Roe of Tennessee; Rep. Schwartz; Sen. Cornyn, Rep. George Miller of California; Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary, Department

of Health and Human Services; Christopher M. Davis, Analyst on Congress and the Legislative Process, Congressional Research Service; David Newman, Specialist in Health Care Financing, Congressional Research Service; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee continued to mark up H.R. 2273, the “Coal Residuals Reuse and Management Act of 2011.” The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MONETARY POLICY AND THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy.” Testimony was heard from Ben Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

MORTGAGE ORIGINATION: THE IMPACT OF RECENT CHANGES ON HOMEOWNERS AND BUSINESSES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Insurance, Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled “Mortgage Origination: The Impact of Recent Changes on Homeowners and Businesses.” Testimony was heard from Sandra F. Braunstein, Director of Division of Consumer and Community Affairs, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Teresa Payne, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary, Regulatory Affairs, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Kelly Cochran, Deputy Assistant Director for Regulations, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Department of the Treasury; James R. Park, Executive Director, Appraisal Subcommittee, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council; and William B. Shear, Director of Financial Markets and Community Investment, GAO; and public witnesses.

SECURING FEDERAL FACILITIES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies held a hearing entitled “Securing Federal Facilities: Challenges of the Federal Protective Service and the Need for Reform.” Testimony was heard from L. Eric Patterson, Director, Federal Protective Service; Mark L. Goldstein, Director Physical Infrastructure, GAO; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 1408, the “South-east Alaska Native Land Entitlement Finalization and Jobs Protection Act”; H.R. 1904, the “Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of